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Pharma Lobbying Of AB Gov't; Wellington Advocacy; Counsel Public Affairs; Others

Some of the lobbying at the Federal level has been published in earlier pieces on this site. However, this is not true at the Provincial level. The question that has to be asked is whether lobbying is playing a role in getting various Premiers to support the vaccination agenda.

The answer is yes, or at least it certainly looks like it. This article will focus on Alberta, now headed by Jason Kenney. Others will be addressed subsequently. Kenney is blatantly pro-

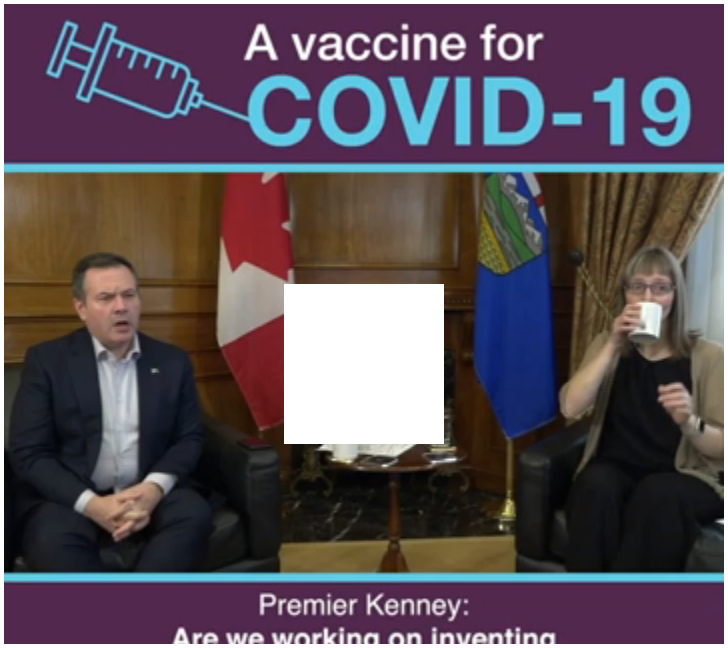
vaxx, and people have to ask who is pulling the strings for this agenda.

Clearly, Wellington Advocacy and Counsel Public Affairs are not the only 2 groups lobbying the Alberta Government. But they are both very prominent.

Also noteworthy is that Kenney is a former Cabinet Minister in Stephen Harper's Government. He is a twice-attendee of the Bilderberg meetings. Kenney has powerful connections.

1. Jason Kenney Wants Mass Vaccination

(From March 30, 2020 public announcement)



Jason Kenney, like the Federal Government, and other Premiers, supports the agenda for mass vaccination. Unlike the Feds, though, Kenney hasn't (so far) said that it will be mandatory, but we will have to see what becomes of it.

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EDMONTON — Prime Minister Justin Trudeau defended his government Tuesday after Alberta's premier suggested Ottawa is dragging its feet on approving potential screening devices and treatments for COVID-19.

On Sunday, Jason Kenney tweeted that he had directed staff to ***consider using tests, vaccines or medications*** "that have been approved by the high standards of at least one credible peer country's drug agency."

That of course is just a clip from a broader article. Point is, Kenney seems on board with vaccinations. He doesn't want Ottawa potentially slowing it down.

2. Wellington Advocacy, ex-PMO Staffers

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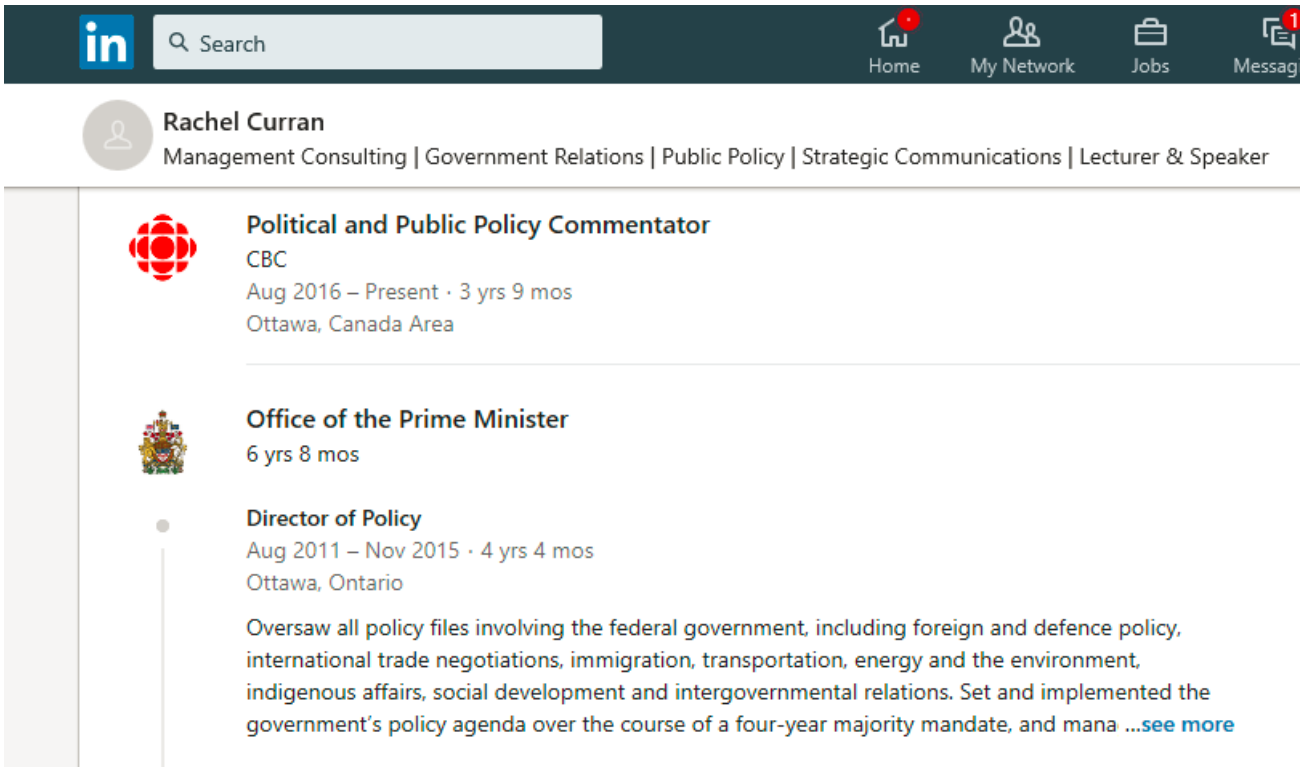
Wellington Advocacy was founded to help companies and candidates win high stakes campaigns.

Dedicated to improving policy and political outcomes for clients, Wellington undertakes a range of work in the advocacy space including: government relations, digital campaigns, coalition building and political campaign management.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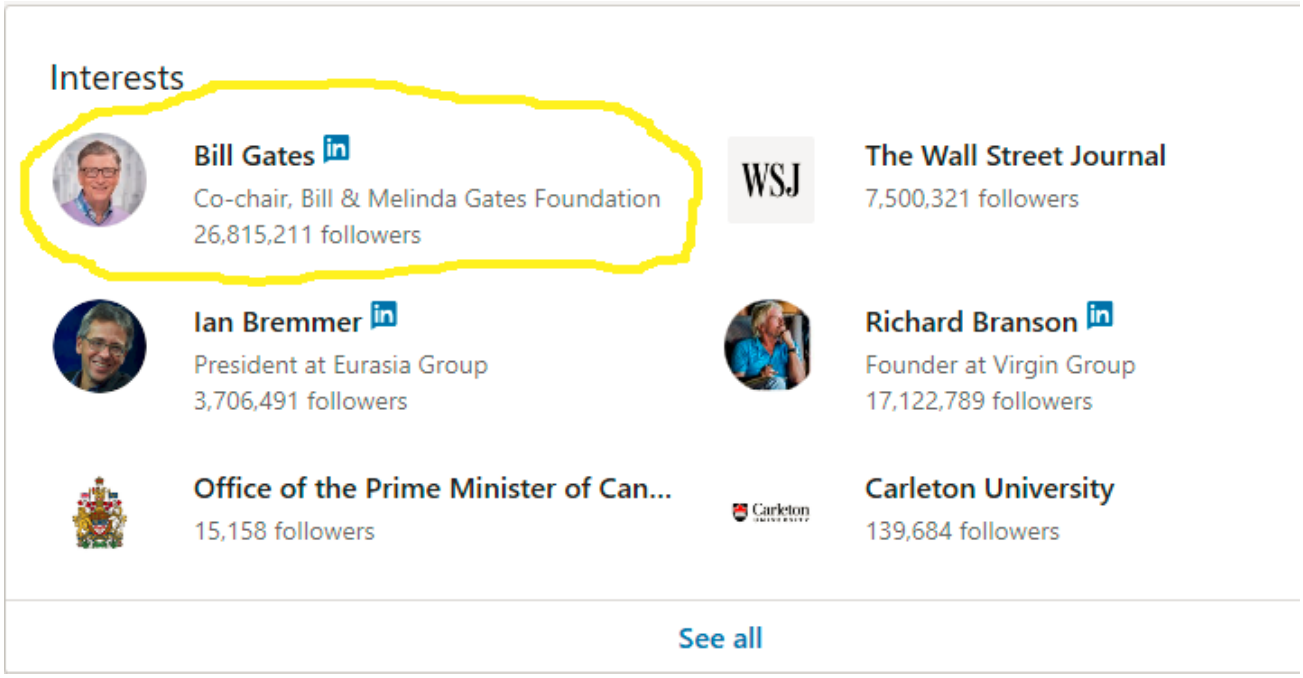
Ottawa, Canada Area
Office of the Prime Minister
6 yrs 8 mos
Director of Policy
Aug 2011 – Nov 2015 · 4 yrs 4 mos
Ottawa, Ontario
Oversaw all policy files involving the federal government, including foreign and defence policy, international trade negotiations, immigration, transportation, energy and the environment, indigenous affairs, social development and intergovernmental relations. Set and implemented the government's policy agenda over the course of a four-year majority mandate, and mana ...see more



What we do

Wellington Advocacy helps you build, run and win campaigns.

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After a ***decade of working alongside Stephen Harper*** on the campaign trail and in office, our team is ***uniquely positioned to help you build government relations strategies***, digital campaigns, stakeholder coalitions and blueprints to run.

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Government Relations

Our team will work with you to build and deliver a concise and compelling presentation to government. Drawing on vast public policy and government experience, we ensure the right people hear your message at the right time.

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Digital

Finding and winning over an audience is central to any successful campaign. We know how to identify and engage audiences and will help you build a bespoke digital strategy to capture the attention you need to deliver your message.

This lobbying firm was with Stephen Harper for more than a decade, and even played a role in the PMO (Prime Minister's Office). They brag about having influence. Now, they lobby (current) Alberta Premier Jason Kenney. Keep in mind, that Kenney was Immigration Minister for much of his time in Harper's Government. All of this reeks of a conflict-of-interest.

Corporation Number	1132080-7
Business Number (BN)	704079086RC0001
Corporate Name	Wellington Advocacy Inc.
Status	Active
Governing Legislation	*Canada Business Corporations Act* - 2019-03-26

Registered Office Address

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Ray Novak	2019-03-26	1500, 850 - 2 Street SW, Calgary AB T2P 0R8, Canada	Yes
Rachel Curran	2019-03-26	288 Clarence Street, Ottawa ON K1N 5R3, Canada	Yes

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According to the Lobbying Registry of Alberta, Wellington Advocacy has lobbied the Alberta Government 53 times since May 2019. While certainly not all of their clients are drug

companies, several of as late, are.

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23-Apr-2020
Wellington Advocacy Inc.
Triple M Housing
Nick Koolsberge

23-Apr-2020
Wellington Advocacy Inc.
Spartan Bioscience Inc
Nick Koolsbergen

19-Apr-2020
Wellington Advocacy Inc.
AMD Medicom Inc
Nick Koolsbergen

22-Mar-2020
Wellington Advocacy Inc.
Bayshore Healthcare LTD
Nick Koolsbergen

22-Mar-2020
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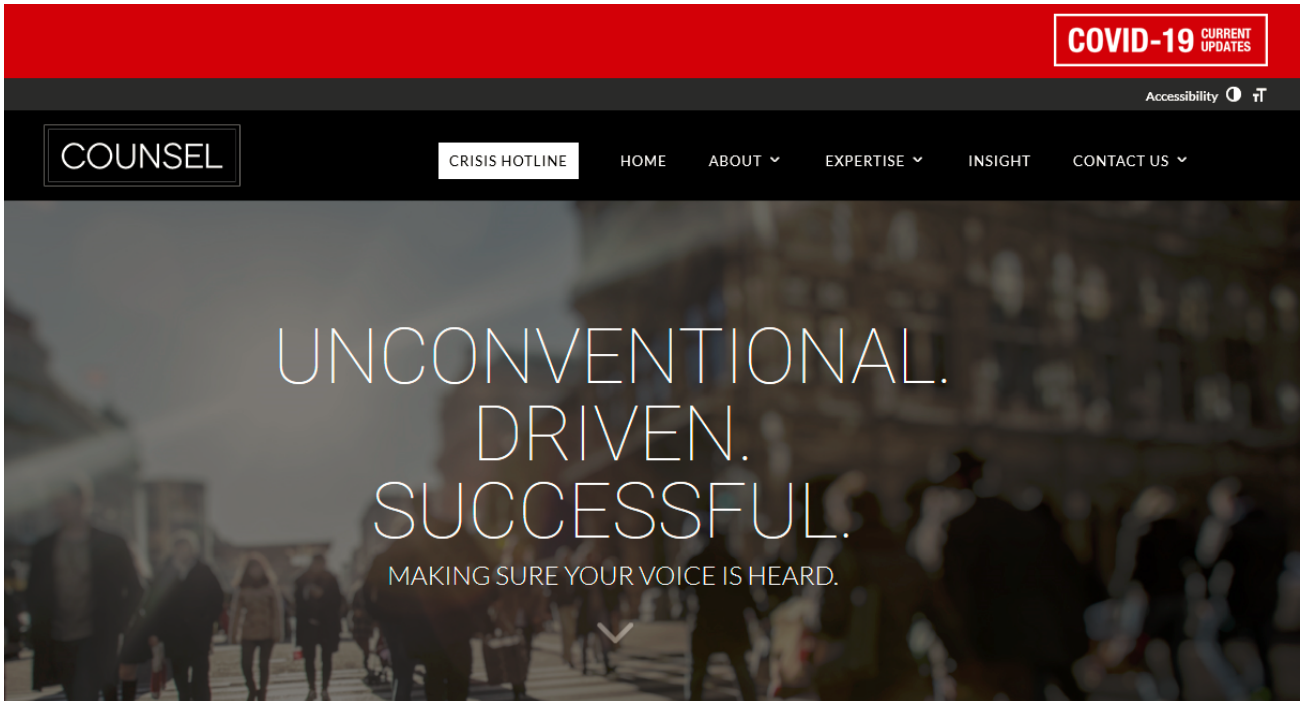
3. Counsel Public Affairs, Inc.



Healthcare

Our team has extensive experience working across the health care sector, from hospital operations and broader health care industry governance, to service providers and product manufacturers, and to the regulated health professionals who support the system. Counsel has advocated on behalf of doctors, nurses, hospitals, ***pharmaceutical companies, pharmacies, medical device manufacturers***, healthcare associations and patient groups on a wide range of mandates.

LOBBYING

Engaging decision makers with a powerful, persuasive and fact-based position is the key to success. With decades of experience working at all levels of government, we know how to effectively bridge the gap between those inside and outside of the political sphere to find solutions for your most important issues.

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POLICY DEVELOPMENT

We know how government weighs options, evaluates impacts, and makes choices. We understand the policy process and how your organization can intervene effectively. We'll help to ensure the facts are laid out, your case gets in front of the right people, and the policy implications are clear.

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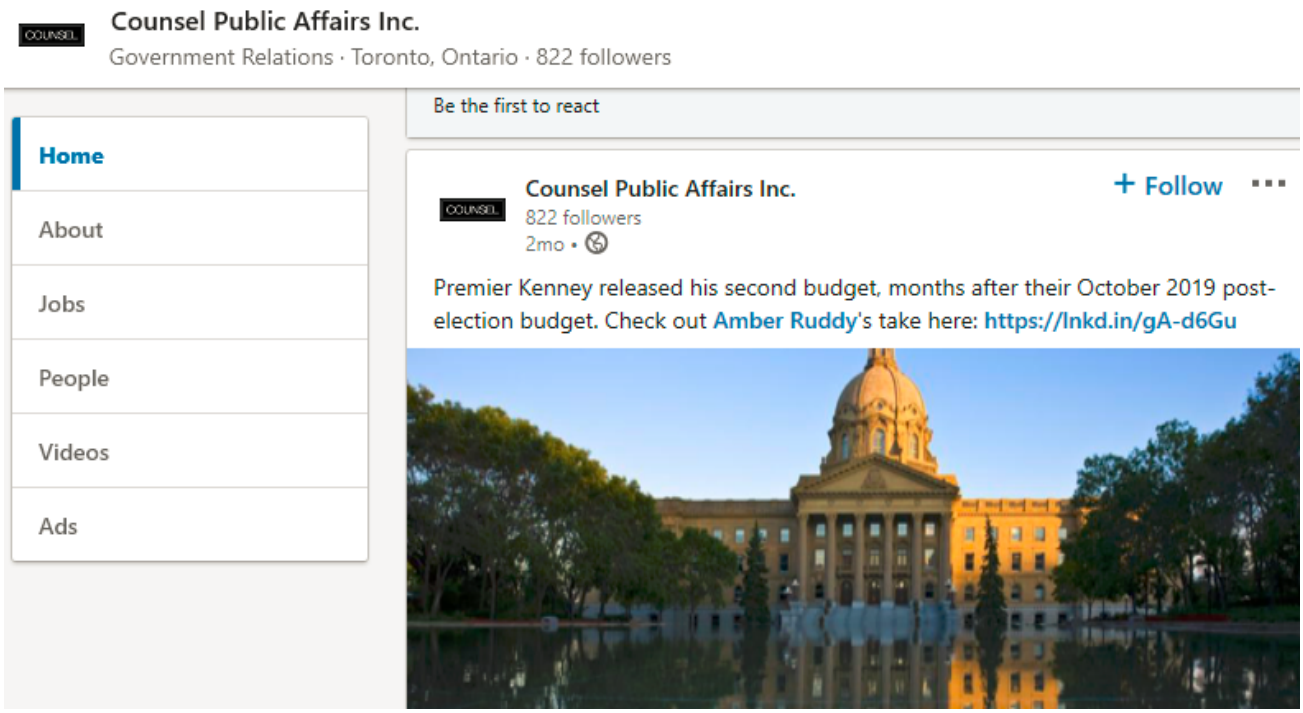
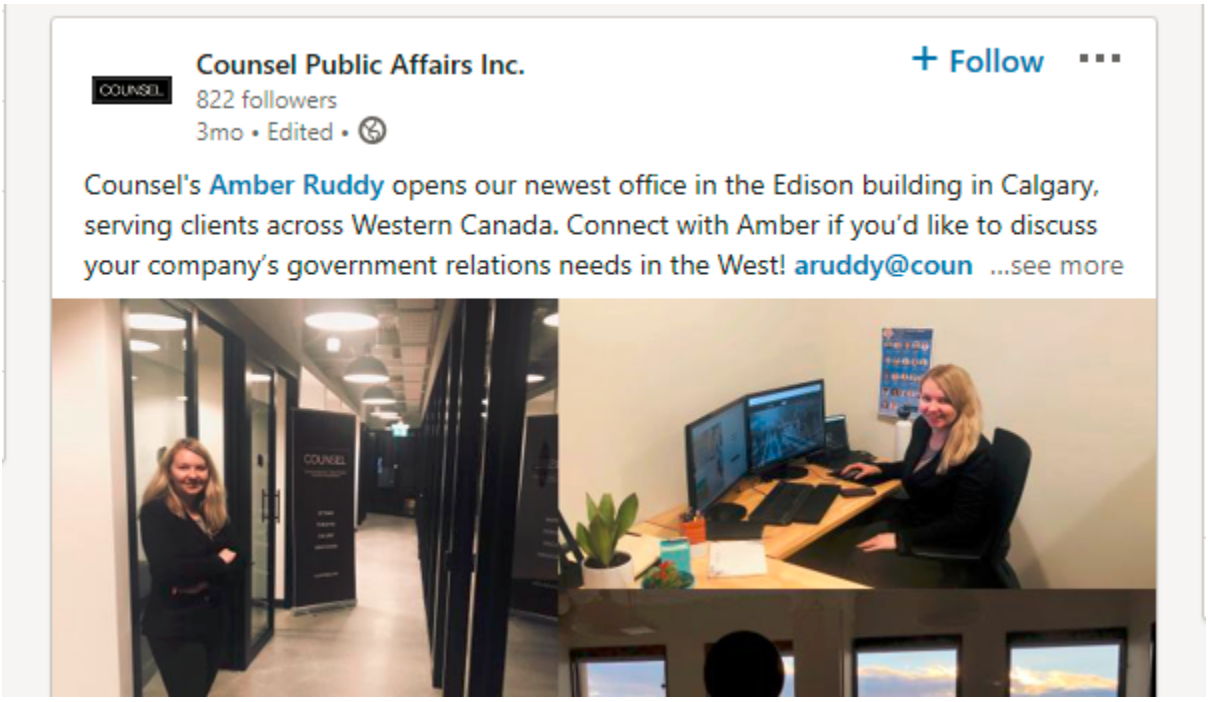
STAKEHOLDER AND INFLUENCER ENGAGEMENT

Skilled and targeted stakeholder management involves both recruiting allies and minimizing opposition. We can help you identify, track, and influence stakeholders.




Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
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Counsel's Amber Ruddy opens our newest office in the Edison building in Calgary, serving clients across Western Canada. Connect with Amber if you'd like to discuss your company's government relations needs in the West! aruddy@coun ...see more

Their LinkedIn page is filled with countless examples of Counsel Public Affairs attempting to control political narratives. Members have ties to many political parties, so they really are playing all sides.

11-Apr-2020
Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.)
Philip Dew

Counsel does have offices in other provinces, and connections to many political parties.

4. Registered Lobbying Reports

24-Apr-2020
AstraZeneca Canada Inc.
Jane Chung

23-Apr-2020
Wellington Advocacy Inc.
Triple M Housing
Nick Koolsbergen

22-Apr-2020
Stosic & Associates Ltd.
Mint Pharmaceuticals Inc.
Aleksandar Stosic

16-Apr-2020
Becton Dickinson Canada Inc
Gregory Miziolek

16-Apr-2020
Hill + Knowlton Strategies
3M Canada Company
Sheila Wisniewski

15-Apr-2020
Global Public Affairs
Applied Pharmaceutical Innovation

Randy Pettipas

15-Apr-2020
Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc.
Christian Macher

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Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.)
Philip Dewan

09-Apr-2020
Lundbeck Canada Inc.
Peter Anastasiou

09-Apr-2020
Rothmans, Benson, & Hedges
Peter Luongo

07-Apr-2020
Pfizer Canada ULC
Cole Pinnow

07-Apr-2020
Merck Canada Inc.
Anna Van Acker

06-Apr-2020
Alberta Pharmacists' Association
Margaret Wing

01-Apr-2020
Janssen Inc.
Jorge Bartolome

This is of course not an exhaustive list of who has been lobbying the Government in Alberta. Nor is health the only topic that gets lobbied for.

But it is interesting to see how many interested parties are coming forward. And "interested" refers to those who will be able to make money off such a vaccine or other remedy. When there is a lot of money at stake, people must always be wondering who is possibly pulling the strings.

One thing seems clear though: the Alberta Government won't be waiting around for Ottawa to make a decision. Whether AB ultimately decides to go the route of mass vaccinations is unknown. However, there are companies who would profit greatly from it.

It also can't be understated the conflict of interest that arises when lobbyists — many of whom have ties to government officials — start lobbying those officials on matters that are not in the best interests of the people. Much like Crestview Strategy and many more, Wellington Alliance and Counsel Public Affairs rely on their personal connections to pass initiatives that their clients pay for.

(1) https://www.wellingtonadvocacy.com/
(2) http://archive.is/0x8cN
(3) https://www.linkedin.com/in/rachel-curran-a99258109/
(4) http://archive.is/lchjs
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(10) http://archive.is/M1FOy
(11) https://www.albertalobbyistregistry.ca

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